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FM AMEMBASSY MBABANE

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INFO AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

AMEMBASSY GABORONE

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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SREF, WZ

SUBJECT: REFUGEE REPORT

FOLLOWING INFO ON REFUGEE SITUATION IN SWAZILAND WAS
OBTAINED FROM EMBASSY MEETING APRIL 27 WITH REPRESENTATIVES
OF UNDP, UNHCR, AND GOS:

1. SOUTH AFRICAN REFUGEES. NUMBERS HAVE INCREASED TO
ABOUT 120, ONLY 14 OF WHOM ARE GIRLS. ABOUT HALF OF 120 HAVE
ARRIVED IN LAST COUPLE WEEKS. AGE RANGE REMAINS ABOUT
SAME AS BEFORE, THAT IS, MOSTLY LATE TEENAGERS AND EARLY
TWENTIES. RE PARA 2 MBABANE 732 (NOTAL), GOS IS RENOVATING
DORMITORY SPACE IN MBABANE TO HOUSE THE GIRLS. FROM
DESCRIPTION FURNISHED BY GOS REFUGEE OFFICER, DORMITORY
SETUP WILL HAVE TRAPPINGS OF PRISON IN WHICH GIRLS
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CURRENTLY HOUSED AT MATSAPHA, INCLUDING INDUSTRIAL
FENCE TO BE ERECTED AROUND DORMITORY. (GOS FEELS
RESPONSIBLE FOR BOTH SAFETY AND MORALS OF GIRLS,
WHICH WAS REASON FOR ITS DENYING CATHOLIC BISHOP'S
REQUEST TO HOUSE GIRLS WITH INDIVIDUAL SWAZI FAMILIES.)
MENNONITES HAVE BEGUN CONDUCTING CLASSES IN MBABANE FOR
ALL OF THE GIRLS PLUS ABOUT EQUAL NUMBER OF BOYS. GOS

PROVIDES NECESSARY TRANSPORTATION FOR STUDENTS BETWEEN
CAMPS AND CLASSES.

2. PORTUGUESE/MOZAMBICAN REFUGEES. IT WAS APPARENT
FROM GOS REFUGEE OFFICER (E.B.N. KHUMALO) IN APRIL 27
MEETING THAT GOS HAS NO PLANS FOR DEALING WITH POSSIBLE
INFLUX OF PORTUGUESE/MOZAMBICANS. HE SAID IN MEETING
THAT GOS WOULD EXPECT UNHCR TO TAKE LEAD. UNHCR REP,
J. MCCALLIN (VISITING FROM GABORONE), REPLIED THAT UNHCR
MAY BE POWERLESS TO HELP IF EXPELLEES ARE ENTITLED TO RETURN
TO PORTUGAL. IN SUCH CASE, HE SAID, THEY WOULD NOT BE
REFUGEES IN SWAZILAND BUT MERELY "DISTRESSED PERSONS." OUR
GROUP WILL CONVENE AS AND WHEN NEW INFORMATION DEVELOPS
FROM AMERICAN AND SWAZI EMBASSIES MAPUTO AND FROM UNHCR
REP IN MAPUTO.
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